

Superintendent of Schools

Department Overview

The County Superintendent of Schools is to provide administrative support, information and organization for the schools and communities of Gallatin County. The office must meet the requirements of federal, state, and local codes and policies while providing quality service to the children, families, schools and taxpayers of Gallatin County.

The county superintendent provides administrative services to five rural schools, conducts legal hearings of disputes, calculates and correlates county financial information, and acts as record keeper of school information. Home school students register with this office. Information is provided to real estate agents and residents as to the school district in which acreages and homes are located. Also, any property transfers between school districts go through this office.

There are 16 school districts and 32 schools in Gallatin County. Student population is comprised of 10,387 public school students and 1330 home school and private school students. The County Superintendent supervises 5 independent elementary school districts, with 142 students and 15 full time and part time teachers.

The superintendent's office calculates, correlates and reports transportation and retirement mills totaling 41.49 or \$6,915,629 in tax revenues. All school budgets are reviewed and appropriate reporting and recording is provided plus work-study student during the school year.

Department Goals

- Streamline the office to run in an efficient manner within the budget by realigning job assignments;
 - Implement standardized Performance Measurements;
 - Continue close association with school boards;
 - Make transition to high school easier for rural school children;
 - Monitor rural schools for compliance with Adequate Yearly Progress and Accreditation Standards; and,
 - Work with homeschoolers to gain the necessary trust in this office.
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Recent Accomplishments

- Provided fingerprinting services to school personnel as specified by the No Child Left Behind Act, which requires a background check for anyone working with children;
- Networked 25 county rural school teachers reducing isolations and enhancing professional development days and a special history grant;
- Networked students in rural schools for easier transition into high schools;
- Conducted the second Gallatin County Science Fair;
- Increased educational opportunities for rural schools, (i.e. book fair, aeronautics day, theatre production, community service);
- Each of the rural schools achieved adequate yearly progress in compliance with federal law. They also met accreditation standards; and
- Maintained employment of highly qualified teachers.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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Department Budget

Object of Expenditure	Actual FY 2005	Final FY 2006	Actual FY 2006	Request FY 2007	Preliminary FY 2007	Final FY 2007
Personnel	\$ 122,027	\$ 128,940	\$ 118,878	\$ 123,296	\$ 126,930	\$ 129,453
Operations	25,719	28,961	24,661	29,144	29,144	30,144
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	1,691	-	-	2,500	2,500	2,500
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 149,437	\$ 157,901	\$ 143,539	\$ 154,940	\$ 158,574	\$ 162,097

Budget by Fund Group

General Fund	\$ 149,437	\$ 157,901	\$ 143,539	\$ 154,940	\$ 158,574	\$ 162,097
Special Revenue Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 149,437	\$ 157,901	\$ 143,539	\$ 154,940	\$ 158,574	\$ 162,097

Funding Sources

Tax Revenues	\$ 71,188	\$ 54,542	\$ 53,997	\$ 53,519	\$ 57,870	\$ 59,156
Non-Tax Revenues	81,783	50,589	51,601	49,640	51,869	51,869
Cash Reappropriated	(3,534)	52,770	37,942	51,780	48,835	51,073
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Department Personnel

Personnel Summary

No	FT/PT	Title	FTE
1	Full-Time	Superintendent of Schools-Elected	1.00
1	Full-Time	Secretary	1.00
Total Program FTE			2.00

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2007 Budget Highlights

Personnel

- Elimination of .25 Regular position replaced with Temporary support staff

Operations

- Increase for Fixed Costs.

Capital

- Computer replacement \$2,500

County Commission Goals/Department Response

The County Commission established a set of overarching goals for the county government. Listed below are the County Commission's goals, followed by the methods by which Superintendent of Schools is striving to fulfill those goals.

Exceptional Customer Service

- Provide a sound education for all the school children of Gallatin County.
- Educate school boards as to their legal responsibilities and duties.
- Network students and teachers within the county.
- Work with home school parents in registration and attendance policies.
- Research and courteously answer in a timely manner all educational questions of the general public.
- Provide statistical information on public schools in Gallatin County.

Be Model for Excellence in Government

- Support school boards of the five rural schools to make informed decisions.
- Assist all schools in meeting and maintaining accreditation.
- Help rural schools to achieve adequate yearly progress.
- Meet all reporting deadlines. (OPI reports, trustee reports, school budgets, millage assessment, joint district reports)

Improve Communications

- Provide information on enrollment and budget statistics for all 32 schools.
- Communicate school district boundaries in a clear and concise manner to realtors and the public.

To be the Employer of Choice

- To insure that the teachers in the rural schools are highly qualified.

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WORKLOAD INDICATORS/PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Workload Indicators

Indicator	Actual FY 2004	Actual FY 2005	Estimated FY 2006	Projected FY 2007
1 . Increase in registered certificates for teachers	Unavailable	Unavailable	Unavailable	
2 . Reduction in questions from school boards after training	Unavailable	Unavailable	Unavailable	
3 . Statistical analysis data on rural schools on tests	Posted	Posted	Posted	
4 . Track financial information	Posted	Posted	Posted	
5 . Customer contacts	8460	9,180	9,680	
6 . Home schooled	354	484	477	
7 . Public school enrollment-Elementary & H.S.	9867	10,157	10,377	
8 . Private school enrollment	867	859	853	

Performance Measures

Measure	Actual FY 2004	Actual FY 2005	Estimated FY 2006	Projected FY 2007

Commentary

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